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DEPT. PASS TO NASA HQ, CODE I

E.O. 11652: NA
TAGS: TSPA, JA
SUBJECT: JAPAN SCIENCE SOCIETY'S SPACE EXHIBIT

REF: A. TOKYO 10846, B. TOKYO 10985, C. STATE 198360

1. EMBASSY CONTINUES TO RECEIVE CALLS AND VISITATIONS CONCERNING JSS SPACE EXHIBIT. LATEST VISIT WAS FROM YAMASHITA OF JSS, WHO PROVIDED FOLLOWING INFO WHICH EMBASSY REPORTS WITHOUT COMMENT AND, EXCEPT WHERE NOTED, WITHOUT ABILITY TO VERIFY ITS ACCURACY:

A. SHINOTO OF JSS, ACCOMPANIED BY KIKUCHI AND OTHERS FROM GOJ WASHINGTON EMBASSY, MET WITH STEVE DOYLE, DEP. ASST. ADMINISTRATOR OF NASA. DOYLE INFORMED JAPANESE THAT NASA IS STILL INTERESTED IN PROVIDING ASSISTANCE TO JSS AND ALL ARTIFACTS REQUESTED ARE AVAILABLE EXCEPT SATURN V. HOWEVER, LETTERS OF ENDORSEMENT ARE REQUIRED FROM (1) EITHER STA OR NASDA TO NASA; (2) NATIONAL SCIENCE MUSEUM TO SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION; (3) FOREIGN MINISTRY TO STATE DEPT. LETTERS MUST BE PRESENTED BY SEPT. 10. DOYLE REQUESTED THAT DRAFT OF ENDORSEMENT LETTER BE CONFIDENTIAL

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GIVEN TO EMBASSY SCICOUNS IN TOKYO FOR TRANSMITTAL TO WASHINGTON FOR REVIEW.

B. YAMASHITA CALLED EMBOFF'S ATTENTION TO NASA LETTER TO JSS (ASSOC. ADMINISTRATOR H.J. ROWE TO SHUHEI OMORI) DATED 1/12/77 AS BASIS FOR JSS ASSUMPTION THAT NASA HAD MADE COMMITMENT TO SUPPLY ARTIFACTS FOR EXHIBIT UNDER CERTAIN CONDITIONS WHICH DID NOT INCLUDE LETTERS

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OF ENDORSEMENT. EMBOFF DISCLAIMED PRIOR KNOWLEDGE OF LETTER AND COPY WAS FURNISHED HIM SUBSEQUENTLY.

C. SHINOTO TRIED TO CALL ON DEPT. OFFICIALS IN OES/APT/SA BUT WAS INFORMED THAT THEY WERE NOT AWARE OF JSS SPACE PROJECT AND THEREFORE SAW NO REASON TO MEET WITH SHINOTO. (UPON REQUEST, EMBASSY HAD SUPPLIED JSS WITH NAMES OF DEPOFFS BELIEVED TO BE KNOWLEDGABLE ABOUT SPACE EXHIBIT.)

2. ON SEPARATE SUBJECT, YAMASHITA INFORMED EMBOFF THAT JSS HAS COMPLTED ARRANGEMENTS WITH NATIONAL WILDLIFE FEDERATION IN U.S. TO PUBLISH LATTER'S JOURNAL, "INTERNATIONAL WILDLIFE" IN JAPAN. THIS INFORMATION WAS CORROBORATED BY ARTICLE APPEARING IN ENGLISH-LANGUAGE ENWSPAPER ON AUG. 21.

3. FYI: YAMASHITA SAID THAT IT WAS GOING TO BE DIFFI-CULT FOR JSS TO GET LETTERS OF ENDORSEMENT IN NASA HANDS BY DATE SPECIFIED. THIS IS NOT TOO SURPRISING, CON-SIDERING GOJ AGENCIES RELUCTANCE TO BE OFFICIALLY ASSOCIATED WITH PROJECT, AND CONNSIDERING THAT MANY MONTHS HAVE PASSED SINCE NEED FOR GOJ ENDORSEMENT OR ACTUAL INVOLVEMENT WAS MADE CLEAR TO JSS. EMBASSY REMAINS UNCLEAR ABOUT WHAT USG POSITION IS IN THIS MATTER; REFTEL (C) STATES THAT SUBJECT IS STILL UNDER DISCUSSION WITHIN USG WHILE YAMASHITA CLAIMS THAT CONFIDENTIAL

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SPECIFIC GUIDANCE ON HOW TO PROCEED HAS BEEN GIVEN JSS BY NASA. END FYI.
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